

### Abstract Of The Disclosure

Method for operating an internal combustion engine in which fuel is injected into a combustion chamber by an injector. The injector has a drivable piezo-actuator. A setpoint value is generated for driving the piezo-actuator. A setpoint charge quantity ( $QC_{\text{setpoint}}$ ) is determined from the setpoint value, and an actual charge quantity ( $QC_{\text{actual}}$ ) supplied to the piezo-actuator is determined. The setpoint charge quantity ( $QC_{\text{setpoint}}$ ) and the actual charge quantity ( $QC_{\text{actual}}$ ) are combined, and the combined result ( $S_{\text{on}}$ ) acts upon the drive circuit of the piezo-actuator.